

**Remarks**

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject patent application are respectfully requested.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that claims 36 and 39 contain allowable subject matter. Without conceding the propriety of the outstanding rejection, Applicant has amended the pending claims to improve their form and to variously incorporate the subject matter that has been identified as allowable in order to expedite prosecution.

In particular, the claim 39 concept of "partially orthogonal" has been incorporated into independent claim 35. Consequently, claim 35 and its dependent claims are believed to be allowable. Claim 36 has been written self-standing independent form and thus claim 36 and its dependent claims are believed to be allowable. Independent claims 1, 9, 17, 25 and 33 have been amended to specify that the user memory model comprises objects and object links in a "partially orthogonal N-dimensional object space." As such, these claims and the claims that depend therefrom are believed to be allowable.

New claims 57-59 have been added. Independent claim 57 includes the claim 36 feature of the objects in the object space including objects of two or more different object classes. Consequently, claim 57 and its dependent claims 58 and 59 are believed to be allowable.


The pending claims are believed to be allowable and favorable office action is respectfully requested.

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Should any issues remain, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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